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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

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Group Art Unit: 2629

Application No.: 10/828,438

Examiner: V. SHANKAR

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Docket No.: 119128

For: ELECTRO-OPTICAL DEVICE, METHOD TO DRIVE THE SAME, AND
ELECTRONIC APPARATUS

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In reply to the June 22, 2007 Office Action, reconsideration of the rejection is respectfully requested in light of the following remarks.

Applicants appreciate the courtesies shown to Applicants' representatives by Examiner Shankar in the August 16 personal interview. Applicants' separate record of the substance of the interview is incorporated into the following remarks.

The Office Action rejects claims 1-12 under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 7,050,024 to LeChevalier. Applicant respectfully traverses this rejection.

The Office Action asserts that LeChevalier teaches many of the features of the claimed subject matter, including a first mode in which the data signal is supplied to the data line not through the first switching element, and a second mode in which a signal different from the data signal is supplied to the data line through the first switching element, as positively recited in the pending claims. This assertion is incorrect. LeChevalier teaches only